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The present invention includes methods of and apparatus for projecting future sales, inventory and gross margin. Aspects of the present invention include analyses based on a variety of ways the projecting future inventory. Aspects of the present invention are reflected in the detailed description, accompanying figures and claims accompanying this abstract.

Methods of and apparatus for simulating and projecting future sales, inventory and gross margin are described. Some methods provide bottom-up item-by-item, per location simulation of unit inventory and unit sales. Notional deliveries and other features of simulations and projections are reflected in the detailed description, accompanying figures and claims.